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2. (Secret - GLC) Met with Bill Woodruff, on the staff of the Senate Appropriations Subcommittee, and provided him with a copy of the Intelligence Memorandum on the Soviet Defense Budget since he has a continuing interest in this. We discussed the upcoming briefing on Friday and the topics to be covered.

3. (Confidential - GLC) Ed Braswell, on the staff of the Senate Armed Services Committee, called and said that at a luncheon meeting with Senator Stennis yesterday Secretary Laird commented that they had a good briefing on the "threat". Secretary Laird said it was a combined DIA/CIA briefing and he would make Mr. Helms available for this briefing if Senator Stennis desired. Braswell said that he and Senator Stennis discussed this and decided not to have a combined briefing on this. As a consequence DIA will brief the full Armed Services Committee for 33 minutes this Thursday morning prior to a Committee business session. In connection with the Laird briefing offer, Braswell expressed concern as to whether the Secretary was making a similar offer to other Committees.

STAT 4. (Confidential - JMM) [] and I explained to Ed Braswell that the Director fully agreed with Chairman Stennis that he should testify on the strategic threat separately, rather than jointly with DIA witnesses.

Braswell said he had no specific guidance from any members of the Committee as to what they wished covered in the Director's 30 January testimony, but presumably they would wish him to update the items covered during his last appearance.

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